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Title	:	Hairless Protein-Interacting Partner Complexes And Methods Thereof For The Beautification And/Or Improvement of Mammalian Skin
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ELECTION OF SPECIES UNDER 37 CFR 31.146

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INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In response to the Office Action of 19 October, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows, and consider the following remarks and reconsider the application.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

*Amendments to the Claims* begin on page 2 of this paper.

*Remarks* begin on page 4 of this paper.